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In re the Application of: Kalkunte, et al.

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Application No.: 09/131,141

Filed: August 7, 1998

For: Method and Apparatus for Preserving Frame Ordering Across Aggregated Links Between Source and Destination Codes

(title)

BOX Non-Fee Amendment

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SIR: Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above application.

Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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AMENDMENT "A"

BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT  
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Sir:

Responsive to the official action mailed August 14, 2001, please amend the  
Application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Presented below are the amended claims in a clean-unmarked format.

7. (Amended) The method of claim 1 comprising storing records in the buffer in  
an order which does not correspond to the order of frame transmission of the records.

8. (Amended) The method of claim 1 further comprising reading the plurality of  
frames out of the buffer in accordance with their pointer value, in an order different from  
an order in which the frames are stored in the buffer.